Texas Hydrogen Highway

Fuel Cell Hybrid Bus and Fueling Infrastructure Technology Showcase

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Overview

Timeline

- Start: not yet initiated
- End:
- 0% complete

Budget

- Total Project Funding: \$382,776
 - DOE share: 100%
 - Contractor share: 0%
- Funding received in FY08 and FY09:
 - FY08: \$0
 - FY09: \$0

Barriers

- Technology Validation Barriers Addressed
 - Risk Aversion
 - Dearth of hydrogen fuel cell components and vehicles and hydrogen refueling infrastructure hardware
- Partners
 - Interactions/collaborations
 - University of Texas at Austin
 - Gas Technology Institute
 - Center for Transportation and the Environment
 - Houston Advanced Research Center
 - Project Lead
 - Texas H2 Coalition

Objectives

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- To provide public outreach and education by showcasing the operation of a 22-foot fuel cell hybrid shuttle bus and hydrogen fueling infrastructure
- To showcase operation of zero-emissions vehicle for potential transit applications
- To advance commercialization of hydrogenpowered transit buses and supporting infrastructure



E-bus: 22-ft fuel cell electric battery plug-in hybrid bus in Austin, Texas

Gas Technology Institute University of Texas at Austin

Hydrogen fueling dispenser



Milestones

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To provide public outreach and education by showcasing the operation of a 22-foot fuel cell hybrid shuttle bus and hydrogen fueling infrastructure	 Final bus prep and checkout Route data collection, modeling and simulation Support, start-up, and operation of fueling station Over six months, conduct public outreach and education through bus and fueling station operation and performance evaluation Mid-term inspection and evaluation
To showcase operation of zero-emissions vehicle for potential transit applications	 Bus training for transit staff Station training and follow-on activities On-site education and outreach
To advance commercialization of hydrogen-powered transit buses and supporting infrastructure	 Overall project implementation On-site education and outreach Hydrogen fuel bus transit plan for target county

Milestones/Timeline

Task/Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Final bus prep and checkout												
Route data collection, modeling, simulation												
Bus training for transit personnel												
Support, start-up, operation of station												
Station training and follow-on												
Fuel cell bus operation												
Mid-term inspection and evaluation												
On-site education and outreach												
H2 bus plan for Fort Bend County												
Project management (quarterly)												

Approach

- First fuel cell vehicle and hydrogen fueling infrastructure in the State of Texas
- Outreach and education through showcasing of real world operation of vehicle and fueling technologies
- Data collection and modeling intended for additional potential transit applications in the state.

Technical Accomplishments/Progress/Results

- Project not yet underway, awaiting final approval from DOE
- Fuel cell bus and fueling infrastructure funded by non-DOE sources

Future Work

- Project kick-off
- Bus preparation
- Fueling infrastructure start-up and training
- Operations
- Outreach and education activities

Summary

- Fuel cell bus and fueling infrastructure funded by non-DOE sources
- Operation and data collection with fuel cell bus and fueling infrastructure in Texas
- Aimed at transit applications and fleets
- Multi-partner expertise for on-site project operations, fueling infrastructure, technical guidance, and management